

# ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS REGARDING RFP # 1416VF: Educational Services in Youth Detention

*Questions submitted via e-mail and at the Bidder's Conference on April 25, 2014*

QUESTION		ANSWER
1.	How many classrooms are available/ designated for instruction?	There are 4 rooms designated for instruction.
2.	Do the classrooms have technology (computers, internet, etc.?)	The classrooms currently have technology, supplied by the current provider of educational services. It is the responsibility of the successful proposer to provide the computers and internet access, as well as all supplies and equipment needed to provide this service in compliance with state and local regulations.
3.	Can the school day design be 6 or 6.5 hours in length, or only the 5.5 referred to in the RFP?	The school day can only be 5.5 hours in length.
4.	Can we have a current copy of the academic schedule?	The academic schedule follows the calendar of the Buffalo school district, which operates on a traditional September- June calendar, with a 6 week summer school program for certain subjects. The 2014-15 calendar has not been posted yet, but can be found at <a href="http://www.buffaloschools.org/calendar_events.cfm?location=1000">http://www.buffaloschools.org/calendar_events.cfm?location=1000</a> when available.
5.	Are staff development opportunities available through the local school district?	No.
6.	Are students from multiple school districts, or a single district? If multiple districts, can you provide a list of which ones?	The majority of students are from the Buffalo school district. At any given time, there may also be students from any of the Western New York (especially Erie County) school districts. A list of WNY school districts can be found at <a href="http://bsccdc01.buffalostate.edu/cdc/WNYschoolDist/displaywnyschooldistrict.asp">http://bsccdc01.buffalostate.edu/cdc/WNYschoolDist/displaywnyschooldistrict.asp</a> .
7.	Section 1 is capped at 15 pages. Are there limits to the other sections?	No.
8.	Do the local school districts offer any collaborative support for students with Individual Education Plans (IEPs)?	Local schools will provide a copy of the student's IEP. It is also the responsibility of the school district to provide any required additional services associated with the IEP (such as OT, speech, etc.), however due to the usually short turn-around time, this is challenging to arrange.
9.	The RFP lists a potentially available funding amount of \$400,000. Is that amount firm?	The final amount will be subject to the funds available from the state and county, with full consideration of the economic value of the proposals received.